

Columbia Has Eastern Culture Along With Western Democracy

Columbia is perhaps the most centrally located town in Missouri. By automobile road, it is about 140 miles to St. Louis and 160 miles to Kansas City. When the east and west primary road from Kansas City to St. Louis is constructed, this distance will be shortened considerably. Columbia is located about 150 miles from the southern boundary of Missouri and about 125 miles to the northern boundary.

Surveying the student directory, it is found that students living outside of the state of Missouri are about equally divided between the states north, east, south and west of Missouri. The faculties of the University, Christian and Stephens Colleges also come from North, South, East and West.

Columbia is a cosmopolitan town. Its permanent population is made up of de-

scendants of Northerners, Southerners, Easterners and Westerners. People representing every section of the United States mingle together on Broadway. Columbia has a touch of Eastern culture with its Western democracy. Eastern people are noted for what they know; Western people for what they do. Both types come together at Columbia. The idealism of the East and the practicality of the West are combined here in the center of Missouri.

When the statewide system of roads is completed, Columbia will be within easy access to all sections of the country.

Columbia is also in the center of the agricultural belt of the United States. Grains, fruits and vegetables of northern, southern, eastern and western variety thrive in Boone County. Many types of soils are found here.

TWO METHODS OF REDEMPTION

War Saving Stamps May Be Exchanged for Cash or Certificates.

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Owners of War Stamps of the 1918 series will become eligible January 1 to cash in their stamps or certificates at full value, \$5.

Treasury officials are preparing to wipe \$625,000,000 from the debit side of Uncle Sam's ledger, or transfer a part of it to another account.

Two methods of redemption are offered by the Treasury, cash redemption or exchange for Treasury certificates similar to the stamp certificates.

The prerequisite to either method of redemption is the filling out of "Form P. D. 750," copies of which may be obtained at any postoffice, from Federal Reserve banks, from the Treasury and possibly from local banks.

Holders of stamps who desire cash must follow the following rules: If their certificates are registered, they must be presented to the postoffice where registered, accompanied by Form P. D. 750, as they are payable nowhere else. If their certificates are unregistered, they may be presented at any money-order postoffice in the country, at any local bank, at any Federal Reserve bank or at the Treasury in Washington, accompanied by the necessary form. Unregistered certificates are payable at any of these places.

Immediate cash redemption at banks, however, is at the option of the banks. Some institutions may desire to receive them for collection, the cash to be paid the holder after the bank obtains it from its nearest Federal Reserve bank.

Thrifty persons who desire to keep their money in government investments may exchange their stamps for the new issue of Treasury certificates. Government financiers urge this exchange to afford relief to the strain on the Treasury's cash assets.

These certificates are issued in denominations of \$25, \$100, and \$1,000. Holders of stamps may exchange them for these certificates at \$20.50 for the \$25 certificate, \$82 for the \$100 and \$820 for the \$1,000. The difference between the old and new securities will be paid in cash. Five years from date of purchase, the certificates are payable at face value. Owners of the certificates may obtain at any time prior to maturity full principal, plus interest at a per cent, up to that date. All these certificates will be registered in Washington and will thus be practically theft-proof.

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Horse Knows Stop Signal.

By United Press.
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 18.—A runaway horse hitched to an express wagon scattered pedestrians for several blocks but halted when a traffic policeman blew his whistle and turned a signal to a "stop."

SHE ACTS AS FOSTER MOTHER TO HOMESICK BOYS AND GIRLS HERE

The boarding and rooming-housekeeper has unlimited opportunity to study different types of people, to know their likes and dislikes, to learn of their joys and sorrows and their victories and defeats.

She learns to be a foster mother to homesick boys and girls. One boarding-housekeeper in Columbia has been dealing with students for over seven years. She says that, as a general rule, students are honest and will pay everything they owe. In all her seven years' dealings, she has lost only about \$100 as a result of dishonest students.

This woman says she would rather keep older students than younger. This does not mean, she says, that they have to be juniors or seniors because she has found many freshmen to be more settled in their ways than upper-classmen. However, the older students usually do not give as much trouble as the younger ones.

Homesickness is the most common thing she has to deal with. A boy away from home for the first time longs for his parents and friends. Mrs. Blank said at one time she went up to a boy's room and found him crying. He was so homesick. If a student does not hear from home regularly, he becomes more homesick than ever.

The boarding table is the breeder of democracy, according to Mrs. Blank. The son of the rich merchant and the son of the poor factory workman sit side by side and eat the same food. They soon learn to talk of the same things, not as

rich and poor, but as fellow students in the same University. The boarding house is no place for a snob. He must learn to "give and take." Then the boarding house teaches adaptability, she says. Although, a boy may not like everything that is on the table, he soon learns to be satisfied with his lot and to relish roast beef as well as fried chicken.

This woman said she has kept students from every section of the country—many of them for four years. During Homecoming, she says, many of "her boys" who roomed at her house years before, come back to see her. It is one big family, she says, and "her children" are scattered all over the United States and many foreign countries.

HIGH HOLIDAYS BEGIN FRIDAY

Miss Saidee Stearn, Principal, Will Visit in Oak Park, Ill.

Columbia High School will close for the holidays next Friday. It will open again January 2.

Miss Saidee Stearn, principal, will spend the holidays at Oak Park, Ill. Miss Ella Hart and Miss Sarah Ditt in California, Miss Dorothy Dalton in Columbia and Mrs. Eliza Gibbany at McFall, Mo.

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FEWER NEGROES IN STATE

Ninety-Five Counties Show a Decrease in Last Decade.

Ninety-five of the 114 counties in Missouri have shown a decrease in negro population in the last decade, according to a general review of health conditions among negroes of the state that will be contained in the biennial bulletin of the Missouri negro industrial commission which soon will be issued. Migration to cities is held to be the cause of the decrease of negroes in some counties.

Attention is called by the bulletin to statistics gathered by an insurance company showing that the birth rate among negroes in rural communities is greater than that in cities.

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George Cohan's "Over There" Is Popular Chinese Funeral Hymn

"A popular funeral hymn of the Chinese is George Cohan's 'Over There,' and they play it with a brass band, if possible," said Don D. Patterson, in speaking of Chinese music as he had known it while in China. "Their best music is played during the funeral march."

"All musical instruments are very prettily decorated for a funeral, with a special casing, which is adorned with dragons in blending shades of blue," Mr. Patterson went on to say.

Brass bands are coming more and more into popular favor in China, according to Mr. Patterson. Often a funeral procession will be three miles long, and will be interspersed with brass bands all along the line, perhaps as many as four or five in the procession.

"I would often be sitting in my office, which fronted on one of the most popular streets for funeral processions, and hear the wild blare of the brass band,

and always I knew a funeral procession was coming."

The real Chinese orchestra, Mr. Patterson says, is very conventional, and consists of the following instruments. There are two Chinese violins, a larger one, the Cantonese, and a smaller one, the Pekinese. These are both quite crude as compared with the modern violin, but are capable of producing very good music.

The Cantonese Harp has a wooden head about twelve inches in diameter, and is played like a guitar. Then there is the grandfather of the pipe organ, a small wind instrument, with a mouthpiece on the side of the bowl. Out of the bowl come some fourteen pipes, wooden, on which the player makes the tones with his fingers as he blows from the mouthpiece.

The drums are very large tomtoms, and are accompanied by large brass cymbals. "The drums and cymbals of the Chinese orchestra are very loud," Mr. Patterson concluded.

Mr. Patterson's father, who lives in Macon, is a collector of musical instruments, and has many of those of the Chinese orchestra in his possession.

JOY HOPPER HARD AT WORK

New Yorkers Are Taking Precautions Against Car Borrowers.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—During the Thanksgiving holidays the "joy-hopper" operated in greater numbers and with more boldness than ever before.

The "joy hopper"—it is a word only recently added to the police vocabulary—is the young man of slack scruples rather than of any definite criminal tendency who "borrows" your car if you happen to leave it parked at a convenient curb in the early evening.

Many times the "joy hoppers" are caught by the police, but in a case of this sort it is very hard to prove the intent to steal. And also, about fifty per cent of the car owners refuse to prosecute in such cases.

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